

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A method for use in a graphical user interface configured to support a login operation, the method comprising:

displaying at least one user identifier prompt within a graphical user interface, the at least one user identifier prompt including at least one selectable user area operatively associated with a previously configured user capable of completing a login operation by inputting user password input;

upon receiving user input selecting the at least one selectable user area, displaying at least one user input field within the graphical user interface, wherein the at least one user input field is automatically configured to operatively receive user password input associated with the login operation; and

while conditions allow for the reception of the user password input and it is determined that there has been a failure to operatively receive the user password input for the login operation, then automatically displaying reminder information associated with the user input field through a non-modal mechanism within the graphical user interface, wherein the display of the reminder information is removed upon receipt of an input via the at least one user input field.

2-4. (canceled)

1           5.     (previously presented)     The method as recited in Claim 1,  
2 wherein the reminder information includes user provided password reminder  
3 information.

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5           6-8.   (canceled)

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7           9.     (currently amended) A computer-readable medium having computer-  
8 executable instructions for causing at least one processing unit to support a login  
9 operation by performing steps comprising:

10           displaying at least one user identifier prompt within a graphical user  
11 interface, the at least one user identifier prompt including at least one selectable  
12 user area operatively associated with a previously configured user capable of  
13 completing a login operation by inputting user password input;

14           upon receiving user input selecting the at least one selectable user area,  
15 displaying at least one user input field on the display within the graphical user  
16 interface, wherein the at least one user input field is automatically configured to  
17 operatively receive user password input associated with the login operation;

18           determining if there has been a failure to operatively receive the user  
19 password input for the login operation while conditions allow for the reception of  
20 the user input, wherein the failure is detected at least in part by failure to receive  
21 the user password input for a given amount of time; and

22           automatically displaying reminder information associated with the user  
23 input field through a non-modal mechanism within the graphical user interface  
24 based on the failure to operatively receive the user password input.

1 10-12. (canceled)

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3 13. (previously presented) The computer-readable medium as  
4 recited in Claim 9, wherein the reminder information includes user provided  
5 password reminder information.

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7 14-16. (canceled)

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9 17. (currently amended) An arrangement comprising:  
10 memory;  
11 a display device;  
12 a user input device; and  
13 a processor operatively coupled to the memory, the display device and the  
14 user input device, the processor being configured to:

15 display at least one user identifier prompt within a graphical user interface  
16 on the display device, the at least one user identifier prompt including at least one  
17 selectable user area operatively associated with a previously configured user  
18 capable of completing a login operation by inputting user password input;

19 receive user input selecting the at least one selectable user area, and in  
20 response display at least one user input field within the graphical user interface,  
21 wherein the at least one user input field is automatically configured to operatively  
22 receive user password input associated with the login operation;

23 determine if there has been a failure to operatively receive the user  
24 password input for the login operation while conditions allow for the reception of  
25 the user input; and

1 automatically display reminder information associated with the user input  
2 field through a non-modal mechanism as a hint balloon within the graphical user  
3 interface based on the failure to operatively receive the user password input.  
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5 18-20. (canceled)  
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7 21. (previously presented) The arrangement as recited in Claim 17,  
8 wherein the reminder information includes user provided password reminder  
9 information previously stored in the memory.  
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11 22-24. (canceled)  
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